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Dear George:

You mentioned during a recent telephone conversation that you would like to receive our recommendations with respect to the kind and quantity of field technical personnel which we should plan to provide in support of System 4 operations. Discussion of this problem with both [REDACTED] has led to the conclusion that one engineer and one technician, each thoroughly trained in the theory, structure, operation, and maintenance of this system, should be available continually at each base to ensure proper operation of the system.

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Since the process of securing applications from qualified personnel, of reference checking, and of going through the other motions preliminary to actual hiring of persons required for this work is inevitably a time-consuming operation, we are proceeding immediately with those steps necessary to secure a total of three engineers and three technicians qualified in all respects for such activity. Should this action not meet with your approval, it can readily be halted long before any offers to qualified personnel have been made if you could notify us with respect to your desires within the next two weeks. If you approve of our action, we would appreciate your so advising us within approximately the same period of time.

Sincerely,

*Burt*  
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*Hiring 2+2 - total 4*

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